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#### The District

#### Today

*The Scene* Brazilian Rhythms at Saint-Ex Pretend you're spending the Christmas season in Brasilia (or pretend it isn't Christmas at all): In the basement of Cafe Saint-Ex tonight, the crowds are sure to gather for DJ [Neville Chamberlain's](#) popular monthly dance party featuring the most booty-moving baile funk this side of Brazil. The best part: There's no cover. *Free.* 9:30 p.m. to close. *Cafe Saint-Ex, lower level, 1847 14th St. NW. 202-265-7839.*



Victoria Legrand and Alex Scally of the Baltimore band Beach House, part of the Round Robin Tour. (By Elizabeth Flyntz)

*The Scene* Power Hours at the Corcoran The newish Thursday night happy hours at the Corcoran -- you get to see the "Richard Avedon: Portraits of Power" photo exhibition, sip wine and nosh a cheese and hors d'oeuvres platter -- were supposed to end with today's event but have been so popular that the gallery has extended them till the end of the exhibition (and then some). \$25 per person includes admission (usually \$14), two glasses of "highly rated" wines and the appetizers. 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays through Jan. 29. 500 17th St. NW. 202-639-1700, or for reservations (which are recommended), call 202-639-1786.

#### Tomorrow

*Film* Say Goodbye to Midnight Movies, Dude The late-night screenings of modern camp classics at Landmark's E Street theater come to an end with "The Big Lebowski," the [Coen brothers'](#) tale of bromance, intrigue and, yes, The Dude. \$10; students, \$8; children and seniors, \$7.50. Tomorrow and Saturday night. 555 11th St. NW. 202-452-7672 or get tickets in advance at <http://www.landmarktheatres.com/tickets>.

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#### Saturday

*Exhibit* Nicholas and Sheila Pye: "Vanitas" A mini-exhibit at a micro-gallery: The current show at the [Curator's Office](#) is a collection of five large-scale photos and one film by

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art-world "it" couple the Pyes. Why should you go? Barely in their 30s, the pair together make works that have attracted international attention and have made it into the collection of the Hirshhorn. *Free. Wednesday-Saturday noon-6 p.m. through Dec. 31. Curator's Office, 1515 14th St. NW. 202-387-1008 or [http://visit www.curatorsoffice.com](http://visit.www.curatorsoffice.com).*

## Maryland

### Today

#### *Concert* Round Robin Tour Beach

House and [Dan Deacon](#) are among the 20-plus acts that perform over two nights at Sonar in Baltimore beginning today. Don't be late: Each night, all the bands set up around the venue and play at the same time (the audience will be in the middle). Tonight is Eyes Night, with sounds that are a little more mellow (Beach House); tomorrow, it's the dance-friendly Feet Night, with Deacon and Double Dagger. *\$8 each night; \$15 for both nights. Sonar, 407 E. Saratoga St., Baltimore. 410-327-8333 or for tickets and lineup, visit <http://www.sonarbaltimore.com>.*

### Saturday

*Film* Dinner and an Art Movie: "Like Water for Chocolate" Montpelier Arts Center's Art on Film series returns for another season, this year focusing on the culinary arts: All the films have food themes, including Saturday's film, "Like Water for Chocolate." And new for this series: The arts center serves dinner with your movie. See the 1993 magical realist offering (which is rated R) and munch on Mexican fare. (The menus are made to match the film as closely as possible: For this choco-themed movie, eat chicken mole, a light Mexican salad with jicama, rice and beans, and a chocolate cake with chocolate sauce.) *\$20; members and seniors, \$18. 6 p.m. Montpelier Arts Center, 9652 Muirkirk Rd., Laurel. Reservations recommended; call 301-377-7800.*

## Northern Virginia

### Today

*Concert* A "Musical Soiree" at the Torpedo Factory Friends of the Torpedo Factory Art Center hosts a performance and lecture series, and tonight, you can catch a performance of classical music featuring oboist Emily Bentgen, bassist Bill Bentgen and flutist Lynn-Ann Zimmerman-Bell. *Free (refreshments will be available). 6 p.m. Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St., Alexandria. 703-838-4565.*

### Saturday

*For Kids* Rocknoceros Holiday Show and Sing-Along The local kindie act -- consisting of Coach Cotton, Williebob and Boogie Woogie Bennie -- teaches important things such as counting and the days of the week. But this time around, they're performing two shows that include songs that are pure fun: holiday standards. *\$10 (for all patrons 1 and older). 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 E. Maple Ave., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or get tickets at <http://www.jamminjava.com>.*

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